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SUBJECT: MONITORING UN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN BOTSWANA

REF: STATE 172794

1. BOTH UN AND EMBASSY CONTINUE CLOSELY TO MONITOR SENSITIVE UN PROJECTS IN BOTSWANA, PARTICULARLY OPERATIONS OF UNHCR. OPERATION OF REFUGEE CAMPS AT FRANCISTOWN, SELEBI-PIKWE, AND DUKWE ARE SUBJECT TO A STEADY STREAM OF VISITORS FROM GOB, UN, AND FOREIGN EMBASSIES AND AID ORGANIZATIONS. EMB-OFFS HAVE VISITED FRANCISTOWN AND SELEBI-PIKWE CAMP IN JULY AND NOVEMBER 1977 AND MAY 1978. JUDGING FROM OUR OWN VISITS AND REPORTS OF OTHER VISITORS, UNHCR ASSISTANCE IS NOT USED TO PROMOTE ANY IMPROPER ACTIVITIES. FRANCISTOWN AND SELEBI-PIKWE CAMPS CONTINUE TO PROVIDE RELIEF AND LIFE MAINTENANCE SERVICES FOR REFUGEES IN TRANSIT THROUGH BOTSWANA TO ZAMBIA. NEW CAMP AT DUKWE HAS BEEN DESIGNED AS RESETTLEMENT CAMP TO ACCOMMODATE LARGE NUMBERS OF REFUGEES WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO TRANSIT TO ZAMBIA.  
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2. IN ADDITION TO PERIODIC VISITS, DAILY SUPERVISION OF CAMPS IS CARRIED OUT BY LUTHERAN WORLD FEDERATION (LWF) ADMINISTRATORS WHO LIVE AT EACH CAMP SITE. LWF PERSONNEL WORK DIRECTLY FOR GOB OFFICE OF PRESIDENT BUT MAINTAIN DAILY LIAISON WITH UNHCR STAFF IN GABORONE. WE BELIEVE THAT ANY IMPROPER ACTIVITIES AT

CAMPS WOULD IMMEDIATELY COME TO THE ATTENTION OF LWF ADMINISTRATORS WHO WOULD INFORM OFFICE OF PRESIDENT AND UNHCR.

3. UNHCR ALSO ASSISTS SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEE STUDENTS IN GABORONE, PRIMARILY THROUGH MONTHLY CASH SUBSIDIES AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS. CASH PAYMENTS OF 30 PULA PER MONTH ARE CHanneLED THROUGH BOTSWANA REFUGEE COUNCIL WHICH COMBINES INPUTS OF LOCAL CHURCH GROUPS (BOTSWANA CHRISTIAN COUNCIL), GOB AND UNHCR. WE BELIEVE THAT REFUGEE ASSISTANCE FUNDS ARE WELL MONITORED AND ACCOUNTED FOR BY BCR. WITH REGARD TO SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS, UNHCR ASSISTS REFUGEES TO PREPARE FOR VISITS BY TEAMS OF INTERVIEWERS FROM US (AAI AND PHELPS-STOKES FOUNDATION) AND OTHER AFRICAN COUNTRIES. WE KNOW OF NO UN INVOLVEMENT OR USE OF UN FUNDS FOR RECRUITMENT OF SOUTH AFRICAN REFUGEES FOR ACTIVITIES OUTSIDE SCOPE OF LEGITIMATE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS.

4. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE CLOSELY TO MONITOR UN REFUGEE RELIEF AND OTHER POTENTIALLY SENSITIVE PROGRAMS TO DETERMINE WHETHER ADEQUATE STANDARDS ARE BEING MAINTAINED.

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